## House Resolution No. 494

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding Missouri citizen who has touched the lives of many through a deep sense of compassion; and

Whereas, Deb Gordon, an esteemed resident of Buckner, Missouri, has distinguished herself through her role as Coordinator for Caring Communities; and

Whereas, Deb Gordon was instrumental in organizing relief efforts following a fire at the Little Village Apartments on January 16, 2003, that destroyed the complex and left several individuals and families displaced; and

Whereas, Deb Gordon and other volunteers from the Caring Communities organized the Buckner Elementary School gymnasium as a relief center, overnight shelter, and donation drop-off, and brought food, milk, diapers, baby formula, blankets, clothes, and other necessities to fire victims; and

Whereas, an angel in the eyes of those she helps, Deb Gordon has always gone above and beyond her normal duties with the Caring Communities program to ensure the efficiency and success of each of her many projects; and

Whereas, an active member of the Parent Teacher Association for many years, Deb Gordon is a beloved member of the Buckner community whose efforts to find housing, work with furniture stores to donate beds, and find clothing and household items for those who lost their homes in the Little Village Apartment fire have earned her the praise and respect of those who know and love her; and

Whereas, the proud mother of a son who is currently serving overseas in the United States military, Deb Gordon has been abundantly blessed with the love and admiration of a wonderful family whose members include her devoted husband, Ken; her three children, David, Anthony, and Abra; and her granddaughter, Macie; and

Whereas, Deb Gordon merits recognition as Fort Osage School District Employee of the Month:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Deb Gordon for her overall effectiveness in bringing the Buckner community together in time of need or crisis, and in wishing her only the very best of success in all her future endeavors; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Deb Gordon.

Offered by	
_	Representative Gary Dusenberg
	District No. 54

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 494, adopted February 26, 2003.